

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 18 of the original specification and page 10, line 6 of the Clean specification, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 3A is a simplified ~~cross-section drawing~~ plan view illustrating a diffraction microlens according to another embodiment of the present invention.

Fig. 3B is a cross-section drawing of the same.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 19 of the original specification and page 15, line 6 of the Clean specification, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In Fig. 2C, if RIE is performed on the resist 32b shaped roughly like a convex lens along with the silica substrate 31a, the silica substrate ~~31b~~ 31a is etched while the RIE reduces the diameter or the width of the resist 32b.